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**1. Call to order.**

The joint special meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee was called to order by Conservancy Chair Elizabeth Cheadle at 7:54 p.m. on May 27, 1999, at Temescal Canyon Conference and Retreat Center, Stewart Hall, 15601 Sunset Boulevard, Pacific Palisades, California.

**2. Roll call of Conservancy.**

The Conservancy roll was called and the following members were present: Ed Begley, Jr., John Hisserich, Lindsey Kozberg, Mary Nichols, Michael Berger, Vice-Chair, and Elizabeth Cheadle, Chair. The following members were absent: Jerome Daniel, Art Eck, Steve Horn, and Jeffrey Schwartz. Quorum present.

**3. Roll call of Advisory Committee.**

The Advisory Committee roll was called and the following members were present: Colleen Briner-Schmidt, Dave Brown, David Green, Mark Johnson, Fran Pavley, Rick Putnam, Paul Rockenstein, Kenneth Warner, George Lange, Vice-Chair, and Alan Kishbaugh, Chair. The following members were absent: Kathy Caldwell, Patrick Hunter, Mark Johnson, Linda Palmer, Jeff Seymour, and Carolyn Van Horn. Quorum present.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, AICP, Executive Director; Belinda Faustinos, Chief Deputy Director; Laurie Collins,

Chief of Legal and Real Estate Division; Rorie Skei, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Walt Young, Chief Ranger; Lisa Soghor, Director of Design Services and Streisand Center Manager; Reva Concoff, Chief of Staff; Bob Blumenfeld, Director of Governmental Affairs; Janeen Parker, Chief of Education and Interpretation; Diana Hartman, Conference Center Manager; and Dawn De Vere, Board Secretary.

Representing the Office of the Attorney General was Terry Fujimoto, Deputy Attorney General.

**4. Consideration of a motion to make findings pursuant to Government Code Section 11125.4(c) to hear the following agenda item number 5 in open session and in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(e)(2)(c)(i).**

Comments were made by Ms. Collins regarding a motion to make findings pursuant to Government Code Section 11125.4(c) to hear agenda item number 5 in open session and in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(e)(2)(c)(i).

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Berger, duly seconded, the Conservancy made findings to hear the following agenda item number 5 in open session and in closed session.

**5. Discussion and possible action regarding potential litigation: *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Los Angeles, a charter city, and the Department of Water and Power* to enforce Public Resources Code Section 33207(b) on the following Department of Water and Power properties: Girard Reservoir, Chatsworth Reservoir-Parcel 4, Lower Franklin Canyon, Upper Franklin Canyon, and Granada High Tank. (The Conservancy may hold a closed session on this item pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code. Confidential memoranda related to this item may be considered during such closed session discussions.)**

The Chair called a closed session at 11:00 p.m. pursuant to Section 11126 *et seq.* of the Government Code to discuss agenda item 5.

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The Chair reconvened the open session at 11:25 p.m. and announced that staff was given direction and given approval, if necessary, to commence litigation against the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power in connection with its refusal to comply with the Conservancy's right of first refusal.

**6. Members comments on matters not on the Agenda.**

There were none.

**7. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.**

The Chair announced that the next meeting would be held on June 24, 1999.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Briner-Schmidt.

Comments were made by the Executive Director, Mr. Brown, and the Chair.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Scott Erickson at 11:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

JOSEPH T. EDMISTON, AICP  
Executive Director

ELIZABETH CHEADLE  
Chairperson